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In re Stan Cipkowski)	
Application No. 08/981,665)	Appeal No. 2011-007578
Filed: November 5, 1997)	

ORDER DENYING REQUEST TO POSTPONE ORAL HEARING

An oral hearing before a merits panel of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences has been set for January 19, 2012 9:00 a.m. The notice setting the hearing was mailed to counsel on December 22, 2011. In a facsimile letter dated January 18, 2012, a paper styled "Request for Rescheduling of Oral Hearing" was received. The request has been <u>DENIED</u>.

According to counsel:

The Hearing Notice was mailed on December 22, 2011. Counsel states that he has been out of town on vacation and picked his mail up January 17, 2012. It is noted that the 21 day period has expired. It is requested that the hearing be postponed in order that counsel might have the opportunity to present his case.

There is insufficient reason to reschedule this hearing before a merits panel of the Board.

For the reason given above, it is:

Ordered that the request to reschedule the oral hearing is denied.

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